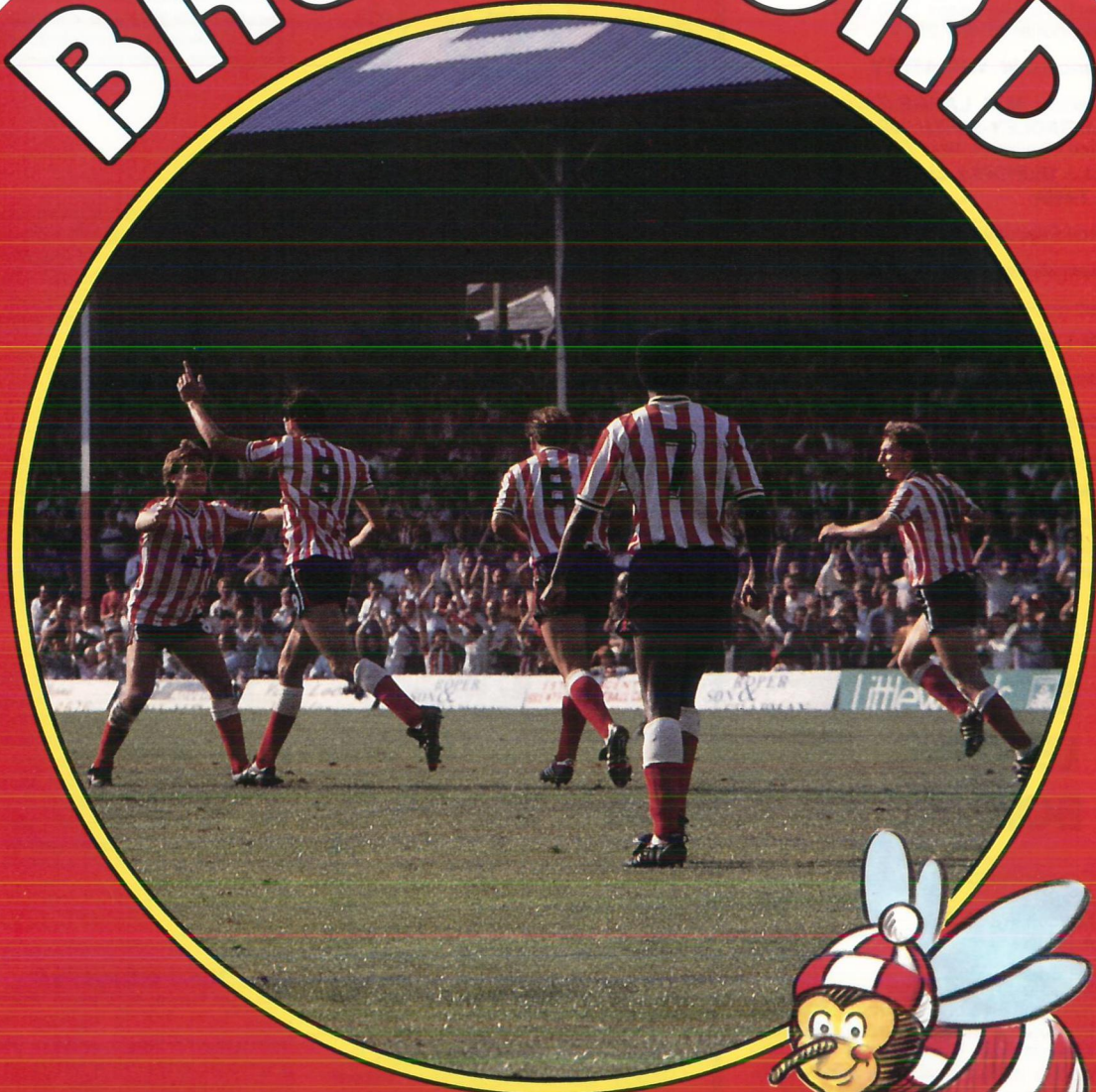


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BEES LETTER BOX



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Dear Eric,
My wife and I recently paid a visit to Hamilton on a bowling tour. I knew that Brentford's former player and Scottish International Bobby Reid was the physio at the local club. Incidentally, another ex Bee, David McKellar, is goalkeeper for the Premier Division side.

Bobby Reid, although now 75 years old, is still extremely fit as the photo shows.

He has asked me to pass on his best wishes to yourself and Mr. Radley-Smith, also any supporters who remember him.

Yours sincerely,
BILL McBAIN.



Our victory over York City gave us a welcome lift up the table and after our previous poor home run it was gratifying to record our third victory at Griffin Park in four games during which time we have scored ten goals.

This afternoon we welcome Bolton to Griffin Park and one always recalls that they were promoted with us to the First Division back in 1935 but more recently gave us considerable help in launching Lifeline.

After an abortive trip to Bristol City on Tuesday of last week we travelled to Walsall on Saturday to suffer defeat by five goals to two. It was the first time we had conceded five goals since going down 5-4 at Bradford City in March 1985.



RUMOURS

It is quite amazing how many rumours have recently been circulating around Griffin Park. Just because Alan Whitehead was at the York game many people suggested he was about to sign for us whereas the truth was that he had joined York City a day earlier.

There was also the suggestion that Robbie Cooke was going to Millwall based on the premise that their Manager, John Docherty, came to the Bury game, a match in which he was not even playing.

Then all sorts of suggestions were made because Frank McLintock was seen talking to Fred Callaghan at a neutral ground, whereas I personally had a telephone call on the strongest authority saying that we were about to sign Barry Silkman. We can assure

you that any factual movements on players will be released to the media in the time honoured way of club Press releases and that you will hear about any such moves as quickly as possible through the Press and Television.



TONY OBI

Tony has returned to Oxford United at the end of his two month loan and we take this opportunity of thanking him for his efforts on our behalf. We have however extended the trial period of Henry Hughton by a further month.



GATEMEN

The Club is in urgent need of Gate-men. If you are interested full details can be obtained by ringing the Secretary's office on 560 6062.



WELL DONE

Congratulations to Robbie Cooke who scored his 100th League goal against York and increased his tally to 101 at Walsall. Also well done Jamie Murray who played his 100th League game for us at Fellows Park. He has missed only 4 League matches, all due to injury, since joining us from Cambridge United in the 1984 close season.



REQUEST GRANTED

Manager Frank McLintock has reluctantly agreed to a transfer request from striker Francis Joseph. Joe has scored 51 times for us since his move from Wimbledon in 1982. All except 1 of those goals came in his first two seasons but following his broken leg and subsequent operation his appearances have been restricted.



PRO-AM DINNER

Not being a golfer I did not play in the Pro/Am golf although I attended the

MAKE A DATE...

dinner in the evening at Ealing Golf Club. This was quite superb with Bob "The Cat" Bevan in magnificent form as a speaker even if his standard of goalkeeping seems little better than mine was. It is perhaps time to officially record the tremendous job done by Keith Loring and his merry band of workers not only in this event but with the Sportsmans Dinner a week earlier. Gluttons for punishment they are now busy with Save the Children event held on November 21st and the Star Cabaret on January 9th.

Eric White

SUPPORTERS NEWS

Away Travel

Saturday 8th November
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A coach will leave usual venue at 10.00 am. Fare £7.50.

An Executive coach will also run, price and time of departure will be announced this afternoon.

Supplies of the Supporters Handbook for this season are available only 50p. Very good value for money. Also the Supporters Association lapel badges, only £1, together with a special badge priced £2 to mark the 60th Anniversary of the formation of National Federation of Supporters Clubs, these are available from Dick Harrison situated in the Braemar Road Forecourt selling old programmes in the hut. Why not pay him a visit to see what he has to offer.

Junior Bees F.C. are starting to form a squad of players over 8 to play in an under-10 team next season. Anyone interested should contact Mac Norton on 891-2744.

The Quiz Team has been drawn against Maidstone United in the Federation Cup (home and away legs).

A. ROGERS *Secretary*
(0753-851819)

BEES SNIPS

ROBBIE COOKE

October was quite a month for our Robbie. As well as scoring his 100th League goal against York he came 5th in the 'Match' Magazine 3rd Division monthly awards.

DIVISION THREE

Player	Av. rating
1 Colin Greenall (Gillingham)	7.75
2 Tim Carter (Bristol Rovers)	7.75
3 Ian McParland (Notts County)	7.60
4 Colin Methven (Blackpool)	7.50
5 Robbie Cooke (Brentford)	7.40
6 Neil Woods (Doncaster)	7.40
7 Keith Cassells (Mansfield)	7.33
7 Andy Jones (Port Vale)	7.33
7 Brian Laws (Middlesbrough)	7.33
10 Jim Dobbin (Doncaster)	7.33
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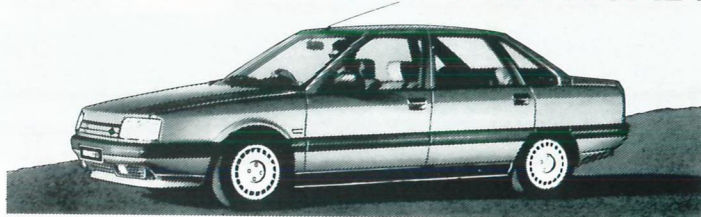
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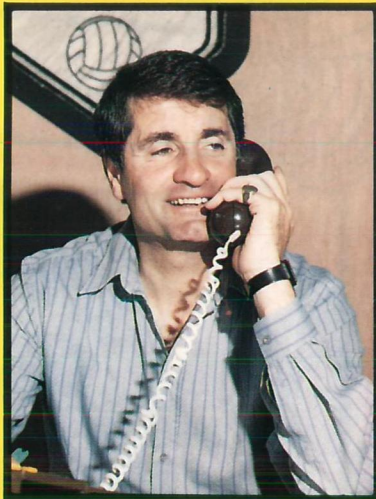
Frank McLintock

I was bitterly disappointed that after travelling all the way to Bristol the match was called off because of rain on the pitch. It was a difficult decision for the referee and I would not criticise him although I felt the pitch was playable but with further rain forecast he did not think it would finish. However, I felt that it was certainly worthwhile taking the chance and certainly a few years ago the game would have been played without a doubt.

The reason I was so disappointed, as indeed were the lads, is that we were keyed up for this match following our good win against York and Bristol City would have been lacking four of their star players through injury and suspension and we fancied our chances to get a result. I think we have been playing much better as a team lately. I did ask you to be patient at the beginning of the season as I said it would take a little time for our four or five new players to get settled in to the side and also for us to find our best formation. We tried 4-2-4 but with lightweight wingers in Ian Holloway and Tony Obi this did not work and we have been much better since we went to 4-3-3. Not that I am saying that we might not revert if there was a change in playing staff.

I have been working very hard to try and get a new big centre-half. Terry Evans' future is in the balance as we do not know how long it will be before he comes back and Jamie Bates has done extremely well at only eighteen years old in taking over but it is a bit much to expect Jamie to last the whole season and I would like another experienced strong central defender. Unfortunately although terms have been agreed with both Brighton and Chester for Eric Young and Andy Holden neither player would join us. Young thinks that he will regain his place in the Second Division side and does not want to step down and Holden does not want to move South. Certainly housing is a problem for players coming from outside London and it is obviously difficult when players are in or around a First or Second Division team to convince them that their future rests in moving down to the Third Division. Rest assured that I will keep trying.

This afternoon we hope for our third successive home win and keep up your good support.



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*Back Row (left to right): Mark Came, Mike Salmon, Kevin Mailey, Simon Farnworth, Jimmy Phillips.
Middle Row (left to right): Steve Carroll (Youth Team Coach), Steve Thompson, Mark Winstanley, George Oghani, Steve Elliott, Dave Sutton, Warren Joyce, Paul Clarke, Colin Irwin (Coach), Peter Nightingale (Physiotherapist).
Front Row (left to right): Paul Allen, Julian Darby, Mark Gavin, Phil Neal (Player/Manager), Derek Scott, Tony Caldwell, Asa Hartford.*

PHIL NEAL

Phil won more honours than any player in English football history during his days at Liverpool, including winners medals for seven League titles, four European Cups, four League Cups and the UEFA Cup. Besides that, his 50 appearances for England shattered the previous full full-back record held by Blackpool's Jimmy Armfield.

Phil made more than 200 senior appearances for Northampton before joining Liverpool in a £65,000 deal in November 1974, and had 416 consecutive games before injury forced him to miss the First Division fixture against Sunderland in October 1983. That, and the Milk Cup tie here four days later, were the only times he had been absent from the Liverpool line-up to the end of the 1984-85 season.

Phil succeeded Charlie Wright as manager of Bolton last December.

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Bolton have made a disappointing start to the campaign and unless things improve then a season of struggle lies ahead.

The Trotters got off on the wrong foot by losing 2-1 at home to Swindon and then going down 1-0 to Bristol Rovers in the homesters first game at their new ground Twerton Park, Bath.

A 4-3 home win against Darlington followed, but with just one victory in the next seven attempts — 3-0 against Port Vale at Burnden — Bolton found themselves occupying a place in the relegation area. They looked like breaking their duck away from home at Walsall two weeks ago but let slip a two goal interval lead and in the end were happy to settle for a point from a 3-3 draw.

That match highlights Bolton's problem this season as while taking the number of goals scored to 17 it also increased the debit account to 20. In fact the only match in which Bolton failed to score in the first ten games was at Bristol Rovers, their 17 goals being evenly spread between last season's leading scorer Tony Caldwell (4), Steve Elliott (4), Steve Thompson (3), Warren Joyce (3) and George Oghani (3).

Bolton's poor League form was matched in the Littlewood's Cup from which they were ousted by Bury 1-2; 0-0.

Potentially Bolton are one of the best supported sides in the lower divisions as witnessed by last season's average gate of 4,846, despite finishing down the table in 18th place, and this year's figure of 4,500, one matched by few other Third Division clubs. Their presence did much to help boost the gate for the Freight Rover Trophy final last season to 54,000, Bristol City spoiling their day with a 3-0 victory. Bolton had been to the First Division and back between their visits to Griffin Park in August 1972 and April 1984.

In 1972, Brentford came from behind to win 2-1 (Allen, Murray) on August Bank Holiday Monday in front of Griffin Park's top crowd of the season 11,800. In one of the best games here in many years, Byrom gave Bolton an early lead, but faced by non-stop pressure their defence eventually wilted. Mickey Allen netted the equaliser, and two minutes before the interval Allan Murray fired what transpired the winner. That win lifted us into second spot, but by the time we met in the return it was a very different kettle of fish and while Burnden's second best crowd of the season 21,646, were intent on celebrating Bolton's championship success, Brentford were already destined for the Fourth Division. True to form Bolton won 2-0 (Byrom, Nicholson).

Our paths next crossed in January 1976 when we were drawn against each other in the third round of the FA Cup. The first attempt to settle the issue ended in a goalless stalemate in front of a crowd of 12,452, Griffin Park's best since Bolton's previous visit. They went on to win the replay 2-0 watched by a bumper Burnden Park attendance of 18,538.

Bolton just missed out on promotion to the First Division that season and the next, but made no mistake twelve months later when pipping Southampton and Spurs for the Second Division title.

Sadly Bolton lasted only two seasons in top grade and they completed their ten years round trip when falling back into the Third Division in May 1983.

Brentford have had much the better of the argument in the six meetings between the two clubs since. The only defeat came at Burnden in December 1983 when Jeff Chandler netted the game's only goal. Two goals in the first four minutes from Francis Joseph helped ensure Bolton got no joy in the return, an own goal by Ray Deakin completing a

comprehensive 3-0 victory.

The season before last we won 2-1 (Cassells, Kamara) at Griffin Park and drew the return 1-1, Chris Kamara coming on as substitute to net the equaliser after Steve Thompson had fired Bolton ahead. We came from behind to win at Burnden twelve months ago. Warren Joyce opened the scoring, Steve Wignall equalised with his first League goal for Brentford and after Gary Phillips saved Steve Thompson's penalty kick, Robbie Cooke was on hand to score the winner.

With Ian Holloway making his debut, we drew the return 1-1 (Booker) a result that stretched Bolton's record in London to 31 defeats and one draw in 32 visits to the Capital dating back to their First Division days in 1978-79. Eight members of the Bolton side we saw in action that Friday evening in March are still on the payroll.

Besides player-manager **Phil Neal** they are defenders **Jimmy Phillips**, who progressed through the ranks, **Phil Came** signed from North West Counties League side Winsford United in April 1984, **Dave Sutton**, a £12,000 buy from Huddersfield in 1985, and **Derek Scott**, who had eleven seasons with Burnley before moving to Bolton for £20,000 in June 1985.

In midfield they can still call upon the much travelled **Asa Hartford**, capped 50 times by Scotland and a veteran of more than 800 games for W.B.A., Manchester City, Nottingham Forest, Everton, a spell in the USA and Norwich, while up front still in contention are **Tony Caldwell**, a bargain signing from non-League Horwich RMI and **George Oghani**, another non-League capture this time from Hyde United.

Also still on the books from last season are goalkeeper **Simon Farnworth**, a former England Schoolboy International who graduated through the ranks as did defenders **Mark Winstanley** and **Julian Darby** and midfielders **Warren Joyce** and **Steve Thompson**, and midfielder **Mark Gavin**, Phil Neal's first signing when he moved from Carlisle in April.

New to the club this season are goalkeeper **Mike Salmon**, signed from Stockport for £18,000 and former Nottingham Forest, Preston and Luton striker **Steve Elliott** who cost £25,000 from Walsall.

GRAHAM HAYNES

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KEITH MILLEN

Keith Millen gives us his views on an away day. He says "My away day really begins on Friday night when I go to bed at 9.30. As I live in Croydon it is a good 45 minutes journey to the ground, I am up at 7, take a quick shower and have a light breakfast of cereal and toast.

I am pleased that Jamie Bates is now in the team as both he and Ian Holloway live within a very short distance from me so we can all travel together and take a turn at driving. I enjoy their company but I am quite quiet on the coach taking a magazine or papers to read and do not get involved in the card school because I like a little nap on the way to the game. We usually stop at an hotel where again I have a light snack of chicken and toast. Some players like to have a good meal sometime on the match day but I much prefer to play on a near empty stomach.

After the meal we adjourn to an hotel room where the boss gives us our team talk. Then we are back in the coach to arrive at the away ground about an hour and a quarter before the kick off. Both my father and grandfather are staunch fans and either travel by car or by the supporters coach and I try to get them tickets for the match. Some clubs have now stopped giving complimentary tickets for players but if we do get them I always try and see them both before the game. I then collect the programme and get changed. I am one of the players who likes to have a really good warm up and the boss encourages this as it takes the stiffness out of our limbs and I like 10 to 15 minutes before the game.

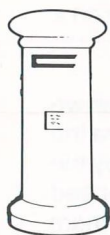
I have no superstitions in the dressing room except that I like wearing the number 4. I suppose it is because it is the shirt I first wore for Brentford, (that is other than a substitute's shirt) and I have stuck with it ever since. Jamie Murray is much the same as he likes the number 3 shirt. After the game the atmosphere largely depends on the result, but following a bath we adjourn to the players bar for a quick drink and normally the coach for the return journey leaves at 5.30. What I do in the evening really depends on the result. If we have won or had a good draw I am in high spirits and go out but if we have lost I probably have a quiet meal and an early night although Saturday is the only real opportunity we have for letting our hair down as we normally do not train on Sundays.

I am pleased to say that I am still growing and have put on weight and will now be 12 stone 7 lbs. I do quite a lot of weight training and hope that I can still put on an inch or so before I stop growing".

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MORE BEES LETTERS



Oliver Road,
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Dear Eric,
Through you I would like to thank everyone at Brentford FC for arranging for my young son, Richard, to sit with me at the recent game against Darlington. It was the first League match he had been to and he thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon, and the eight goals. He's told all his friends at school about it, so hopefully you have gained some more supporters. I picked Brentford for Richard's first League ground visit because the club and its supporters have always been so friendly on my trips to the ground for L.B.C.

One point that I have just learned and might make an interesting paragraph for your programme is that my father-in-law's father, Ernest Woodford was "cobbler" to Brentford back in the 1920's. I wonder if any supporters have memories of him?

Again many thanks from Richard and me, best wishes to all at Brentford,
TOM PRICE.

Bird & Lovibond Solicitors
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2nd October, 1986

Dear Mr. Loring,

First of all, let me say that I am still in a state of shock and cannot fully comprehend that I was so lucky to win the First Prize at the Sportsman's Dinner. I do not think my Wife will believe it until we actually step onto the aeroplane.

I believe I explained to Mr. Barry Evans that at the Third Sportsman's Dinner my raffle draw number was one away from the First Prize. I did not believe that my luck could be in — more particularly since I also won another prize at the raffle, but I was too embarrassed to claim this and conveniently lost the ticket.

I would also like to say how much I enjoy the Sportsman's Dinners I have attended. I naturally will be making application to join the Brentford Lifeline Society and have sent the appropriate document for this to the Society itself. My Wife and I probably think we shall enjoy our prize in the Spring of next year if this is convenient for K.L.M. and on this point perhaps you would have the kindness to make the appropriate enquiry.

Once again, many thanks for allowing me to participate in the draw. Will I be banned from buying further tickets?!!

Kindest regards, Yours sincerely,
D.R. STEELE *Senior Partner*

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Dear Mr. Loring,

I feel it appropriate to write to thank you for a particularly enjoyable evening on Monday at which myself and our Production Manager, Mark Daniels, were made to feel very welcome.

We wish you every success.

Yours sincerely,
TONY FAWKE

Hewitt Group of Companies
2nd October, 1986

Dear Keith,

Just a line to thank you so much for the delightful evening and your generous hospitality. Please give my kind regards to your Chairman, it was a pleasure to meet him.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,
DONALD A.C. HEWITT



Barring the monsoon-type weather that followed The Bees and many supporters to Bristol a week and a half ago, next week's match at Sealand Road against Chester City should be on. It will be Brentford's first-ever match against Chester City, as the club changed their name from plain Chester in 1983. It, and all other City fixtures however, were in some doubt until Monday 20th October, (as mentioned in "Third Division Scene" in the York programme), as the club were very near to closure due to bankruptcy. On that day though, compulsory winding up by the Court was averted after they had raised some £78,000 due to the Inland Revenue. Their plight was made worse by their being unable to develop for the future due to the Local Council's refusal to grant Planning Permission for Sealand Road, which they were therefore unable to sell. The work put into saving the club deserved a better reception from the Chester public than it has received so far, with their average home League crowd after six games, standing at just 2,652. This is just over 300 short of last season's average attendance when they won promotion. The lowest attendance to date was 2,169 against Gillingham last month, despite the fact that they are promotion contenders, and this was bemoaned by club secretary Albert Eckersley, when he said:- "I wonder sometimes whether the people of Chester either want or deserve a professional football club. How can you run a Third Division club on those sort of attendances?"

Similar feelings have been expressed at Field Mill, Mansfield where Chairman John Pratt has written for support to every business with a Mansfield telephone number to "help keep the club alive". He wants the financial support to "build a team and improve the ground in anticipation of promotion into higher divisions. He was furious at the low attendance for The Bees' visit of only 3,453 (the last game played there as I write), and wanted to know what else the team had to do to draw the people in. At the time, they were 5th in the table, and unbeaten in their previous 7 League games, so he had a point. Their average attendance to date in 5 games at Field Mill is 3,615, which is only 150 below

last season's average, when like Chester, they too won promotion. One possible solution is that they might switch some more of their home games to Sunday, as in the one Sunday game they've staged to date, the 1-1 draw with Chesterfield, despite the fact that this was a local derby, the attendance of 4,771 was over 800 higher than any Saturday crowds they have yet had. Another thing common to both Mansfield and Chester, is that they each have an established forward coming back after injury. In the case of The Stags, it is much-travelled Neil Whatmore, who is making a successful comeback with the help of acupuncture. Over at Chester, their 21-year-old centre-forward Stuart Rimmer, who last season was their leading League goalscorer with 16 goals from only 18 games, has been eased back into the side with two substitute appearances and four full games scoring two penalties in the process, following an 11-month lay-off with a broken leg.

TRANSFERS

Several transfer deals have taken place during the first three weeks of October. Bottom-of-the-table Rotherham have been the busiest, swapping midfielder Dean Emerson for Coventry's midfielder Andy Williams. Emerson impressed The Sky Blues during the Littlewoods Cup matches between the two sides, and Williams had a great start in his debut for The Millers, scoring the only goal against today's opponents, Bolton, to give Rotherham their first home League win of the season. They also had two other players making their debuts for the club in this game, one of whom was Sheffield United forward Tony Philliskirk, who is on a month's loan from The Blades to give him

first team football. Rotherham returned to the bottom of the table, following their 4-1 defeat at Walsall, whom they replaced. This game was Walsall's first home win of the season, and their new £30,000 signing Trevor Christie got his second goal in as many games for them following his move from Manchester City where he only stayed for two months. City may let striker Gordon Davies return to our neighbours Fulham for around £50-60,000. If he made the move, he would link up again with his old partner, unsettled England under-21 striker Dean Coney, who has had a transfer request turned down, presumably in the hope that the partnership may re-form. The deal is not agreed yet though, particularly as Davies is not sure if he wants all the upheaval again.

City's Lancashire neighbours Blackpool have gained a player and lost one, without any money changing hands. Through the "Out" door went former Chelsea midfielder Ian Britton, who joined Burnley following a loan spell at Turf Moor. Through the "In" door has come striker Alan Mayes from Carlisle, who scored five goals in his six-game loan spell and then got another in his first game as a Blackpool player in the 3-1 defeat of Notts County a fortnight ago. In that game, County 'keeper Mick Leonard was stretched out after being injured in a collision with one of his own defenders and left-back Darren Davis took over in goal. They were also without centre-half Steve Sims, who returned to his former club Watford two days before for £50,000. County fielded six teenagers in this game, and fielded seven when they inflicted leaders Middlesbrough's first away defeat of the season the following Tuesday, with an 82nd minute Ian McFarland goal. The extra one was Nottingham Forest's "A"-team goalkeeper Paul Crichton, who was loaned to County for this match. (Incidentally, Blackpool also suffered their first away defeat of the season, that night losing their derby at today's opponents 1-0 before more than 6,500). The other transfers included Swindon's winger Martin Ling joining Southend United for £20,000, Oxford utility player Mark Jones joining Swindon the next day for

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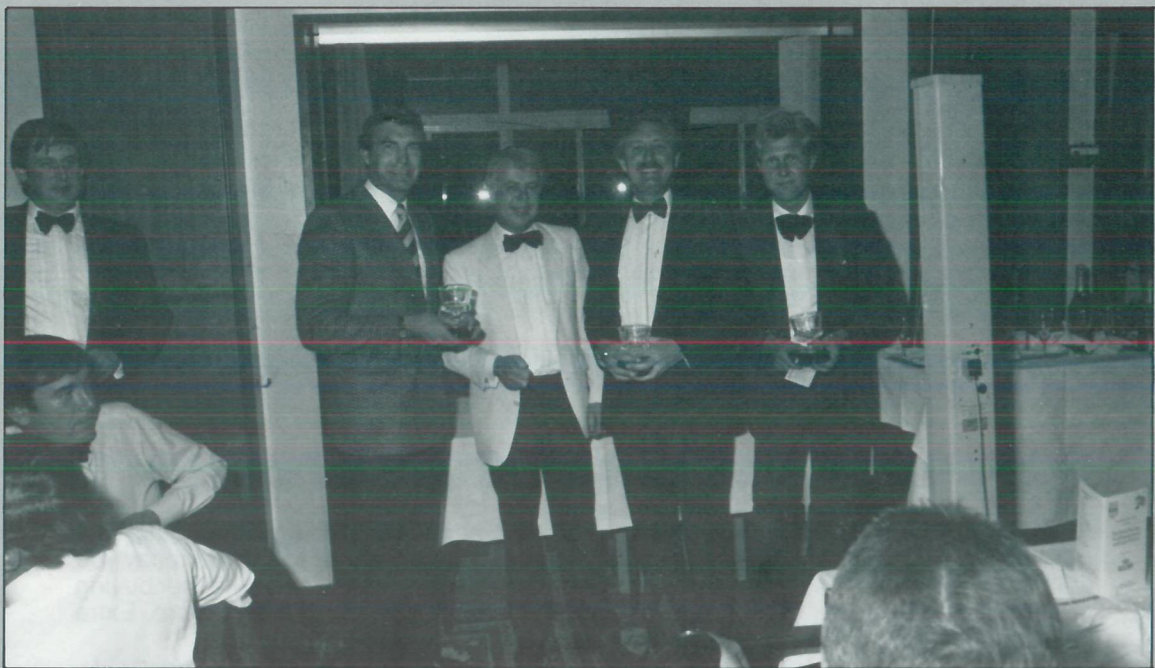
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If you do not wish to sell tickets, please hand the book to a Steward today.



Left: Bob "The Cat" Bevan sensational speaker at our Pro-Am dinner.

Above: Dave McKellar and Bobby Reid snapped at Hamilton (see Bees Letter-Box).

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GARY STEVENS

Gary Stevens is one of Brentford's many summer signings. He previously played for Cardiff City and Shrewsbury Town. By a strange coincidence he made exactly 150 League appearances for Cardiff and a further 150 League appearances for Shrewsbury. Prior to this season Gary had scored 74 League goals. During his spell at Gay Meadow he often played at centre-half rather than his more favoured centre forward position.

Gary scored his first goal for Brentford at Fulham in September with a thundering left foot shot and followed this up with two goals in the Bees 5-3 win against Darlington. The first was a classic header from Roger Joseph's cross while the second was a scrambled effort. Let's hope Gary goes on to score twenty goals this season for the Bees.

FRANK COUMBE



BEES HISTORY

HISTORY PART 209

1962-63
(concluded)

Weatherwise, the winter of 1963 was one of the worst on record, Brentford's period of inactivity forcing them to put their promotion chasing exploits on ice for nearly two months.

Almost ten weeks passed before the Bees won a match, however, as after beating Chester 2-1 at Griffin Park on Boxing Day, the next win did not materialise until March 4th when two goals from reserve centre forward George Summers earned a 2-1 success at Tranmere.

Earlier, the Bees had emerged from their forced hibernation to draw 1-1 at Barrow and then go down 3-1 at home to Darlington and 1-0 at Southport, where the game's only goal was scored by John Fielding.

Twenty-four hours after the defeat at Haig Avenue, Griffin Park was the venue for the first game ever between two professional sides on a Sunday when Brentford Juniors beat Luton Juniors 1-0.

The following month we hosted a Little World Cup match between Russia and Rumania (a competition eventually won by an England side boasting Ron Harris and Liverpool's Tommy Smith (ouch!)), and to complete a unique hat-trick, on May 5th Griffin Park was the scene of the first match of an International flavour staged on a League ground in England on a Sunday when local side Viking Sports took on French team Stade Portelois in a friendly.

Brentford, in the meantime, continued merrily on their way and after the victory at Tranmere set about the opposition with a vengeance. Despite his match winning performance at Prenton Park, George Summers made way for the fit again Billy McAdams for Aldershot's visit, the Irish International again underlining his importance to the side by having a hand in the first two goals and scoring the third as Brentford raced to an impressive 4-2 victory.

Three nights later a crowd of 13,100 — the best to date — poured into Griffin Park for the vital clash against third placed Torquay, a real thriller ending 2-2 to edge the Bees to within six points of leaders Oldham Athletic with three games in hand.

At the same time there was now a gap of six points back to Crewe in fifth place.

Chairman Jack Dunnett has never been one to settle for second best and with the Championship now in his sights took the club's spending since his reign began in October 1961 to £45,000 when England Under-23 International centre half Mel Scott was signed from Chelsea for



£12,500.

Mel could not have wished for a better start to his Brentford career, the Bees thrashing Newport 4-1 at Somerton Park on his debut and then giving a superb display of attacking football in winning 5-3 at Rochdale. Brentford's all international inside forward trio accounted for all nine goals, Dick leading the way with a brace at Newport and a hat-trick at Spotland.

Scott's creative ability then went down well with his new home fans when he had a leading part in the 4-0 hiding Brentford meted out to Oxford United.

A point from the away game at Torquay sent the Bees to the top of the Fourth Division for the first time, a position they lost twenty four hours later when Oldham beat Chester.

They were not denied for long, however, a 2-1 victory at Chester and 4-0 win at home to Tranmere putting the Bees back in the driving seat. For Tranmere's visit, Brentford paraded yet another new signing, Southport's John Fielding, who had caught the eye in the game's between the two clubs earlier in the campaign moving South in exchange for a fee of £7,000.

Fielding had a fine debut, but ended the day in hospital as a precautionary measure after injuring himself in a tackle.

GREAT SEQUENCE

Victory meant the Bees had won seven and drawn two of their last nine games a sequence which with Easter approaching put them in a very strong position at the top.

The holiday games opened with a 1-1 draw at York, and when re-election bound Bradford City then won 2-1 at Valley Parade, manager McDonald decided on a shake-up for the return with York on Easter Monday.

Only goalkeeper Freddy Rycraft and Johnny Dick played in the same positions as they did at Bradford City and with Brooks and Crowe dropped it was a very strange line-up which took the field in front of a bumper 15,000 attendance.

If the shake-up was designed to prevent complacency setting in, it had the desired

affect, Johnny Dick scoring both goals in a 2-1 win. Brooks and Crowe, two of the side's mainstays, were reinstated for Lincoln's visit, and with the rest of the side reverting to their normal positions the two points gained from a narrow 3-2 victory took the Bees back to the top.

Brentford's tenuous hold on the leadership did not last long. First bottom club Hartlepool, 18 matches without a win, pulled off the shock result of the season to beat the Bees 2-1 and then Oldham won the battle of the giants at Boundary Park 2-1. The match had a controversial ending, Billy McAdams heading what he thought was a last gasp equaliser only for the referee to blow for time as the ball was on it's way into the net.

With five matches remaining promotion was a near certainty, but for Brentford anything less than the Championship would be an anti-climax. Apart from Oldham the only obstacle to Brentford achieving their goal were Crewe, four points behind with two games in hand, so their visit three days after the Bees narrow defeat at Boundary Park took on even more importance.

With so much at stake the game attracted a season's best crowd of 15,750 and they were rewarded with a tremendous game of football, Freddy Rycraft turning in one of his best performances for the club in Brentford's rather fortuitious 3-1 win.

Barring a total collapse Brentford were home and dry and despite losing 2-1 at Oxford, where the crowd of 11,700 remained their record League attendance for many years, a 2-1 home win against Chesterfield and 2-2 draw at Exeter meant the Bees took on Workington in the final game safe in the knowledge that the championship was theirs.

A couple of loose ends needed to be tied up, not least whether Brentford could score the six goals needed to hit the 100 mark for the first time in a season.

With four goals in the bag at half time it seemed just a matter of time before the Bees reached the magical figure. However, in a complete change round of fortunes it was the visitors who went on a goal spree and in the end were unlucky not to gain a draw, eventually losing 4-3.

At the final whistle disappointment at not hitting the ton was forgotten as Brentford's jubilant fans invaded the pitch to pay tribute to the first club in history to win the Championships of the Second, Third and Fourth Division.

Brentford's big buying had achieved it's first objective and they were now set to try their luck in the Third Division.

GRAHAM HAYNES



Personally Speaking

I trust all the lads enjoyed the Sportsmen's dinner and a good time was had by all.

I would give a personal account of the social event of the season but like all the female fans I was sidelined and spent the night at home, a Cinderella sports editor, all dressed up with nowhere to go.

I did have high hopes of spending the evening staring dewy-eyed at handsome Trevor Brooking. I must say it was a real waste inviting him to an all-male party. I should have thought the more curvaceous Samantha Fox would have held the guests' attention more firmly and Trevor would probably agree with me!

I understand the only women allowed through the doors were disguised as bunny rabbits and were very chilly.

I'm sure I was not alone in moaning about the men-only dinner and I don't think it would have been spoiled by toning down the language and side shows and allowing ladies to pay their money and go along. After all fund raising is important at Griffin Park.

Just as important, if not more so, is giving the club a thriving social life, not just for the regular fans but for the players and staff as well. That is what kept football on the straight and narrow for so many years, and it may go half way to providing a solution to its present problems.

The back room boys here at Brentford have not been slow in taking up this idea and the result is the very popular Lifeline Society.

This combines providing useful cash for Brentford with plenty of social events for all ages, and sexes! After a highly successful year Lifeline is thriving and has shown that a Third Division club can take a lead in footballing progress off the pitch.

At the start of this season, while Lifeline organisers were adding up the benefits their new venture has brought, neighbouring Q.P.R. were launching their own version the Rangers Society, at the Hammersmith Palais.

Far from resting on laurels now, Brentford is still forging ahead and the brand new family stand is well on the way to completion. All Brentford fans owe it to their forward-looking club to support both these enterprises. Griffin Park has always welcomed families and given them a good game in safe surroundings where adults and youngsters can join in cheering on their favourite team.

The new and expensive family stand means that we should all drum up support from our relations and bring mums, dads, grandparents and youngsters along to home games. In this way Brentford can breathe new life into football and keep on proving that a quick thinking Third Division club can set about changing the bad image that some elements in soccer have earned.

SALLY NEWMAN

Editors Comments: Sally Newman is the charming Sports Editor of the Ealing Gazette. Sportsmen's Dinners are just that — we men do enjoy an evening out on our own sometimes. Sally was invited to our Golf Dinner and accepted (T.B. was there too) but called off at late stage due to pressures of work.

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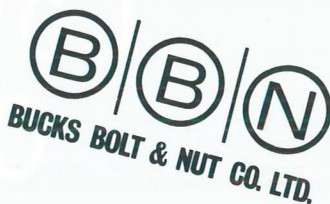
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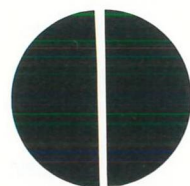


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Guest Platform

CLIVE LONGHURST

Here's a likely quiz question... Can anyone with a good memory recall when, at Griffin Park, we last heard the opposition supporters chanting, "Lucky, lucky Brentford". Whatever anyone may say Lady Luck does not appear to have a supporters membership card. Even the match ball has turned against us, running off with a mind of its own, straight into our net; but regularly curving gracefully (and generally gently) away past our opponents goal. I have this theory that we have a problem with ghosts — how many times have we read in the local press that "Brentford's problems were caused by a player who seemed to walk through our defence" or "All the goals came from the other side". So how, you may well ask, can we stiffen our defences against these forces? Re-introduce the Government ban on spirits in football grounds? Perhaps we need a Club Chaplain in attendance to exorcise the effects of the evil presence. In true Brentford style, let's not stint ourselves, let's go for fully comprehensive cover with a Rabbi, a Priest, a Vicar and a Minister. A spiritual back four which we could call the Brentford Help-Line. After all, (although some managers may choke, over their occasional Bells Whisky, at the thought) there are distinct parallels between the lives of football managers and religious leaders. Both spend their working lives demonstrating to their followers the right and wrong ways to proceed along the uphill path to the ultimate treasure.

Managers and Ministers also have to endure the allegation that they only work a couple of days a week. Most of us think football managers work 3 days a week — 2 days telling the team what to do and 1 day watching them do something else entirely. The Reverend gentleman, meanwhile, with even greater falling attendance problems, (but saved by the lifeline of cash covenants from the faithful and sales of real estate) are said, by the uncharitable, to be on a 1 day week!

Sermons often bear a close resemblance to match day press conferences, for example:-

"The inspired work of two choir boys, in attempting to repair the 28 windows broken after last Saturday's youth club, shows we can face the future with confidence".

While 24 hours earlier his football counterpart may have been saying:-

"The lads' spirited rally, after those five defensive slips which led to our opponents lucky goals, proves we are still in with a shout". The similarities abound with the Church Hall/Grandstand Appeal, The jumble (unwanted purchases) sales, singing competitions, family days and so on.

So you would imagine that sermons on the subject of football would be frequent and the name of a Club's Chaplain would appear in every Match day magazine.

But as for sermons, I know of one only which held football crowds up as an example to be followed. A friend, who up to that point had shown as much interest in football as say, a goldfish does in carpentry, announced jauntily that he was planning to preach about soccer in his church on the following Sunday. Ap-



parently one Saturday he had been shopping in a strange town and had seen a throng of people, with coloured hats and scarves, looking both happy and excited. So infectious was the atmosphere of eager anticipation that my football-deprived friend joined the crowd and was swept along towards the ground (for the purposes of the sermon, could it be Vicarage Road? Stay tuned!) If people were as happy and eager going to Church, the theme of his sermon suggested, then others might well be encouraged to join them. Now, if you have read this far, I know you will be thinking there's not a lot of happy eager anticipation on the way to Griffin Park these days. Well no, sadly it wasn't Brentford High Street that was featured in the sermon.

But wait, as we approach the opening of the family stand there must be hope; well grounded hopes that the traditional spirit of the Brook Road end will rise again. That the waves of goodwill soon to come from those new generations of Brentford supporters and their families, will even in the absence of exorcism, submerge the evil ghost, putting new heart into a team needing support not sneers and abuse.

Oh by the way, I had the experience of being a contestant on Ken Bruce's ABC Quiz on Radio 2 recently so of course took the opportunity to wave the flag for Brentford F.C. The recording was weeks ago so when I was asked how they were doing I had to anticipate the season's early results and described Brentford as "Doing quite well... possible winners of the 3rd Division championship and the Freight Rover Trophy". Ah well, I got all but one of the other questions right. Perhaps lads now you've been tipped on the radio, you could perform every week like you did at Fulham. It would save my face... and it wouldn't do you any harm!

(PS yes, it was Vicarage Road in the sermon, I expect you guessed from the mention of "a strange town").



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Aug 23 ● A.F.C. Bournemouth	1-1	3856	1	2	3	4	5	8	7	6	9	10	11	s						
Aug 26 Southend U. (LC1) 1st Leg	0-1	1539	1	2	3	4	5	8	7	6	9	10	11	3s	10s					
Aug 30 Doncaster Rovers	0-2	1675	1	2		4	5	8	11	6	9	9s		3	10	7				
Sept 2 ● Southend U. (LC1) 2nd Leg	2-3	2632	1	2		4	5	8	7	6	6s	10	11	3	9		14			
Sept 6 ● Port Vale	0-2	3150	1	2		4	5	8			9	10	11	3	11s	7		6		
Sept 13 Fulham	3-1	4791	1	2	5	4		8	11		10		s	3	9	7		6		
Sept 16 Carlisle United	0-0	2904	1	2		4		8	11		10			3	9	7	5	6	s	
Sept 20 ● Darlington	5-3	3265	1	2	5	4		8	11		10		s	3	9	7		6		
Sept 27 Gillingham	0-2	4710	1	2		4		8	11		10				9	7	5s	6		3
Sept 30 ● Bury	0-2	3238	1	2	3	4		8	11			10	11s		9	7		6		5
Oct 4 ● Newport County	2-0	3231	1	2	3	4		8			10	s	11		9	7	5			6
Oct 11 Mansfield Town	0-1	3453	1	2	3	4		8			10	8s	11		9	7	5	6		
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3rd Division Scene — continued

£25,000 and former Bee Alan Whitehead moving from Scunthorpe to York. He was at City's game here two weeks ago, which he signed too late to play in, and his fee will be decided by a tribunal, as York's £5,000 valuation was £25,000 short of Scunthorpe's. Gerry Francis has also left Bristol Rovers, after five League appearances this season, to join up with Wimbledon.

Finally, it was good to see a Third Division player in the limelight two and a half weeks ago, when the 21-year-old Bury Goalkeeper Phil Hughes made his international debut for Northern Ireland, in their 3-0 European Championship defeat by England at Wembley.

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GOALSCORERS

Cooke

Joseph F., Cooke

Stevens, Cooke, Joseph R.

Stevens 2, Bater, Cooke 2 (1 pen.)

Sinton, Maddy

Cooke, Stevens 2

Cooke, Millen

THE TODAY LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(Up to and including 28th October, 1986)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	APts
Bournemouth	12	6	0	0	14	5	2	3	1	7	5 27
Middlesbrough	13	4	1	1	12	7	3	3	1	12	7 25
Gillingham	12	4	2	0	7	1	3	2	1	7	5 25
Notts County	13	5	1	1	17	5	2	2	2	8	9 24
Blackpool	12	3	2	1	12	5	3	2	1	14	8 22
Swindon	12	3	1	2	11	11	3	2	1	10	7 21
Mansfield	11	3	2	0	6	3	2	3	1	8	6 20
York City	13	5	1	1	11	6	1	1	4	7	15 20
Bristol City	11	3	3	0	13	6	2	1	2	7	4 19
Doncaster	13	4	2	0	10	3	1	0	6	9	15 17
Fulham	13	2	2	3	11	13	2	3	1	7	7 17
Chesterfield	13	4	0	3	15	17	1	2	3	6	9 17
Bristol Rovers	13	2	3	1	7	6	2	1	4	9	12 16
Carlisle	13	3	2	2	8	8	1	2	3	5	10 16
Wigan	13	4	0	2	14	9	1	0	6	9	19 15
Brentford	12	3	1	2	11	9	1	1	4	5	11 14
Port Vale	13	1	2	4	12	13	2	2	2	8	9 13
Darlington	13	3	2	2	7	9	0	2	4	8	14 13
Newport County	11	1	3	1	9	9	2	0	4	11	13 12
Bolton	13	3	2	2	12	9	0	1	5	7	13 12
Bury	13	2	2	2	8	8	1	1	5	7	11 12
Chester	13	1	4	1	7	9	0	5	2	6	9 12
Walsall	12	2	2	2	14	13	1	1	4	9	16 12
Rotherham	13	1	1	4	2	8	1	1	5	6	16 8

STAR PLAYERS

MILLEN	3
HOLLOWAY	2
STEVENS	2
TURNER	2
COOKE	2
BATES	1
SINTON	1
OBI	1

APPEARANCES

(Maximum 14)

Joseph R.	14	Murray	9
Millen	14	Maddy	8+2
Phillips	14	Bater	7+1
Sinton	14	Bates	5+1
Cooke	12+1	Joseph F.	5+2
Stevens	11+2	Wignall	5
Obi	10	Booker	4
Holloway	9	Hughton	3
Turner	9	Evans	1

GOALSCORERS

Cooke	7 (2 pens.)
Stevens	5
Bater	1
Joseph F.	1
Joseph R.	1
Maddy	1
Millen	1
Sinton	1

Team check

Brentford

Shirts: Red/White stripes
Shorts: Black

Gary Phillips. Last season's Supporters Association Player of the Year and also winner of Players Choice Cup.

Roger Joseph. Not 21 until Christmas Eve but made rapid strides last season. Former junior who returned here via Southall.

Jamie Murray. Made 100th League appearance for us at Walsall. Only missed 5 games since signing from Cambridge in 1984 close season.

Keith Millen. Only 18 when he appeared for us in the 1985 Freight Rover Trophy Final against Wigan at Wembley. Scored his first 2 League goals last season.

Jamie Bates. Former Y.T.S. who became a full pro in close season.

Wayne Turner. New Club skipper in place of departed Steve Wignall. Signed for £35,000 fee from Coventry City on 4th September. Over 100 First Division appearances with Coventry and Luton Town.

Andy Sinton. Transferred last December from Cambridge United and converted a penalty on his debut against Bury for the winning goal. Still only 20 but already well past 100 League appearances.

Phil Bater. Experienced defender or midfield player signed in close season from Bristol Rovers. Around 400 League appearances for Rovers and Wrexham to his credit.

Gary Stevens. Close season capture from Shrewsbury Town after previous service for Cardiff City. Approaching his 100th League goal.

Robbie Cooke. Scored his 100th League goal against York City with a header. Other clubs: Mansfield, Peterborough and Cambridge.

Paul Maddy. Another close season signing from Hereford United. A Welshman previously with Swansea City and Cardiff City.

Bolton Wanderers

Colours: All White

Mike Salmon Started out with Blackburn and had more than 100 games for Stockport before joining Bolton for £18,000 in the summer.

Derek Scott Former England Schoolboy International who played in Three Divisions of the Football League during his 11 years at Burnley. Cost Bolton £20,000 in June 1985.

Jimmy Phillips Former apprentice now nearing his 100th game in Bolton colours.

Warren Joyce As a schoolboy won representative honours at cricket and rugby. Son of a former Bolton player.

Dave Sutton Had almost 300 games for Huddersfield, during which he helped them to promotion twice and has also played for Plymouth and Reading (loan). Cost £12,000 the summer before last.

Julian Darby Bolton born youngster who made his debut against Blackpool in March. England Schoolboy International.

George Oghani Signed from Hyde United in October 1983 and a first team regular since.

Steve Thompson Graduated through the club's junior ranks. Penalty kick specialist.

Steve Elliott Cost Preston £95,000 after just four League games in Nottingham Forest's colours. Later played for Luton before Bolton paid Walsall £25,000 for his services in the close season. Within sight of his 100th goal in League football.

Asa Hartford Capped 50 times by Scotland, and Bolton's only ever-present last season. More than 800 senior appearances behind him for W.B.A., Manchester City, Nottingham Forest, Everton and Norwich, with whom he won a Milk Cup winners medal in 1985.

Mark Gavin Phil Neal's first buy when signed from Carlisle in April 1986. Formerly with Leeds United.



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